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NAFTA UPDATE: CALPEEK CALLS CALIF. HOUSE MEMBERS FOR THEIR STAND ON TRADE PACT.

Editor's note: In our Sept. 20th issue of CALPEEK, we phoned all members of the CA House delegation to find out where they stood on the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). For this story, CALPEEK followed up with the **undecided** from last time to see if they had moved. Here's our update...

...With the Clinton Admin. claiming to be anywhere from 20-40 votes short of approval on NAFTA, Calif.'s 14 members who are currently undecided may hold the key. Here's the way the 52-member delegation now breaks down in terms of **Yes, No & Undecided**. The vote will be Nov. 17th...

- **YES** - Demos Beilenson, Dooley, Fazio, Matsui and recent YES Demos Berman, Pelosi & Torres. GOPers Calvert, Cox, Dornan, Dreier, Horn, Huffington, Lewis, McCandless, Packard, Rohrabacher and Thomas. There are no new GOP converts. (total 18)...

- **NO** - Demos Condit, Dellums, Dixon, Edwards, Farr, Filner, Hamburg, Harman, Lantos, Martinez, Miller, Schenk, Stark, Tucker, Waters & Woolsey. There are no new Demos against. GOPers Hunter. Add GOPers Doolittle & Gallegly. (total 19)...

- **Undecided GOPers** - Baker, Cunningham, Herger, Kim, Moorhead, McKeon, Pombo and Royce. Of this group, sources believe that Cunningham *leans YES*, while Herger, Moorhead & Royce *lean NO*. McKeon went from NO to undecided, and now sources say he'll switch to YES. (total 8)...

- **Undecided Demos** - Becerra, Brown, Eshoo, Lehman, Mineta, Roybal-Allard and Waxman. Of this group, sources believe Roybal-Allard and Waxman *lean YES*, while Lehman *leans NO*. (total 7)...

...The L.A. Times did a similar survey and except for Waters being undecided (CALPEEK has her as NO), the surveys are in agreement. CALPEEK sources in DC suspect that there could be others who may switch positions. And during the last few days of the debate, the situation will get very intense, especially for Demos who are being pressured by **organized labor**. They are telling Demos that this is the most important vote for labor - *ever*, and if Demos go with Clinton, it will be "divorce time." As CALPEEK hit deadline, the YES side had the momentum. Stay tuned...

VACATION TIME FOR CALPEEK

Once again, it's time for a little *R&R* for CALPEEK. We'll be taking the next two weeks off, meaning there will be *no newsletters* for the weeks of Nov. 22nd and Nov. 29th. We'll be back for newsletters on Dec. 6th (issue #43) and Dec. 13th (issue #44) --- and then will be off for the X-Mas holidays. Here's wishing all CALPEEK subscribers & readers a very happy Thanksgiving Day Holiday.



FIRST POLL LOOKS GOOD FOR L.A.'S NEW MAYOR, BUT BIG PROBLEMS ARE BREWING FOR RIORDAN.

Editor's note: While the new polling data has caused L.A. Mayor Richard Riordan to smile, not everyone at L.A. City Hall is happy these days. Here's our report & analysis...

...Good news first. The new L.A. Times poll on Mayor Riordan's first 4 months in office show him with a 45% approval rating. Some 17% disapprove and another 38% don't know or had no opinion. In late May, form-

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er L.A. Mayor Tom Bradley had a 38% approval rating, but his disapproval rating was a huge 50%. FYI: the guy with the highest approval rating in L.A. City government is LAPD Chief Willie Williams, who has a 72% approval rating...

...While the numbers for Riordan have to be encouraging, there are signs that the City Hall crowd is having some **major second thoughts** about Riordan --- even among some big supporters who want him to succeed on the job...

...What are the problem areas? CALPEEK sources say very little has been done by the mayor's office to help *cut the bureaucratic red tape* at city hall; there has been little or no *interaction* between the mayor's office and the council on key policy issues; the mayor's press operation is described by numerous sources as a *major disaster*; and to many city hall observers, it appears that Riordan is somewhat bored with his new job. As one source told CALPEEK, "For the first two months Riordan was like a kid in a candy store. But now reality has set in and he's bored. It's not the kind of place he thought it would be." And it's this *perception* that Riordan is already bored that has many city hall types very worried...

...Where are the fingers pointing? At COS/Chief Dep. Mayor William McCarley, who gets very high marks as a numbers cruncher and policy wonk, but doesn't know squat about politics or communications. Sources are hopeful that new Deputy Mayor Robin Kramer will fill in the void. Bottomline: It's time for former Riordan campaign consultant Clint Reilly to have a one-on-one with his ex client to get things moving once again. Stay tuned...

SPECIAL ELECTION FOLLOW UP: LOCAL CONTESTS.

Editor's note: There were a handful of local elections from last week's Nov. 2nd election that we didn't get around to reporting. Here's a brief update...

- **Riverside Mayor's Runoff** - Incumbent Riverside City Mayor Terry Frizzel was forced into a runoff by Riverside Councilman Ron Loveridge. Loveridge got 41.5%, compared to 37.2% for Frizzel. Last word from Riverside was that the council was picking a runoff date...

- **Backup Measures for Prop. 172** - There were 13 counties which put "backup measures" on the ballot just in case Prop. 172 failed (1/2 cent sales tax extension for DAs, firefighters, cops). Backup measures **passed** in Alameda, Colusa, Lassen, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz (very close), Sonoma and Tulare. Oddly enough, voters in **Lassen** rejected the Statewide measure. In response to CALPEEK's question of why, the reply was, "We take care of our own."...

- **Santa Barbara's New Mayor** - It's Councilman Hal Conklin, who succeeded Shelia Lodge, who could not seek reelection because of term limits...

- **Card Club Madness** - In addition to council elections, voters in Lynwood also rejected a proposal for a poker club in this city. The vote on Measure K was 23% YES to 77% NO...

- **2/3rds Vote Is Possible** - While supporters of Prop. 170 kept telling voters how tough it is to get a 2/3rds vote for a school bond issue, voters in Beverly Hills passed a \$77 million bond issue with a 70% YES vote. Stay tuned...

FULL METAL JACKET: ILLEGAL ALIENS & GUNS.

Editor's note: With the Brady Bill, U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein's amendment to the crime bill to ban some assault weapons and other actions dealing with firearms, CALPEEK now updates it's reoccurring **Full Metal Jacket** headline series with this short article about *illegal immigrants & guns*...

...Under Federal law (U.S. Code 18, Sec. 922 G5) it is against the law for an illegal immigrant to possess a handgun, rifle or shotgun (with some exceptions). It's also a crime under Federal law for a gun dealer or anyone to sell a gun or ammo to an illegal...

...HOWEVER, there is no such law on Calif.'s books. But there could be in the near future and the gun lobby is **very nervous**, according to CALPEEK sources. Often times federal laws are adopted and written into CA law. If this particular law were put on CA's books, gun dealers *would be forced* to run **extensive background checks** on everyone to determine citizenship, because otherwise there would be discrimination based upon race...

...How long would a citizenship background check take? Longer than the 14 days now required for the purchase of a handgun, rifle or shotgun. Some sources think such a background check could take 120 days...

...Of course, if a tamper-proof State ID card were available, that would solve this problem --- but there isn't. The 120-day waiting period would drive the gun lobby up the wall, but because of all the criminal activity directly linked to illegals (15% of the State prison population and 50% of all criminal court cases involve illegals), the gun lobby might have a tough time trying to stop either legislation or an initiative drive...

...FYI: AB 501(Alpert) requires persons moving into Calif. with handguns to be subject to the same background checks as in-state transfers of handguns. Assembly Republicans opposed this technical bill, which is now pending in the State Senate. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out who is moving into The Golden State --- illegals. Stay tuned...

1994 UPDATE: BROWN LEADING GARAMENDI IN TWO NEW POLLS ON DEMO GOVERNOR'S CONTEST.

Editor's note: For those CALPEEK readers who like to keep track of how the two Demo gubernatorial candidates are stacking up against one another, here are the latest surveys from the L.A. Times and the Field Poll. No real surprises, with State Treas. Kathleen Brown *still leading* Insurance Comm. John Garamendi by comfortable margins in both polls. This is not to say that Brown has the nomination locked up. She doesn't, but sources believe Garamendi really needs to get off the dime and get moving...

● **L.A. Times** - poll taken in mid-October, size 1,718 adults, including 1,301 registered voters AND the early September poll (896 registered voters):

	October	September
Brown	36%	38%
Garamendi	19%	23%
Undecided	45%	39%

...The spread is 17 pts. in Brown's favor, but undecided also has jumped from the September LAT poll. "Undecided" is the clear winner...

● **Field Poll** - poll taken in early October, sample size 340 Demos. The comparison is with the August polling data:

	October	August
Brown	42%	47%
Garamendi	28%	23%
Undecided	30%	30%

...Here the spread is 14 pts. in Brown's favor, but she's dropped 5 pts. from August, while Garamendi has moved up by 5 pts., meaning an overall 10 pt. improvement for Garamendi from the August Field Poll...

...FYI: The Wilson for Governor Reelection Cmt. recently mailed political reporters copies of news stories about Brown's numerous contributions from various Wall Street firms that have done business with the State Treasurer's office. Nothing new here, because Garamendi already mailed this same info. Stay tuned...

CALIF. INITIATIVE SCHEDULE: DEADLINE DATES.

Editor's note: The following is a list of all the initiatives that are currently in circulation and the deadlines for submitting petitions for verification of signatures. Constitutional amendments(C/A) require 615,958 valid signatures, while statutes(S) need 384,974 signatures...

Title (abbreviated)	Statute or C/A	Due Date
Repeal of Parole	S	11/18/93
Budget, State	C/A	12/9/93
Reward Offers, Governor	S	12/9/93
Year Round Phone Voting	C/A	12/22/93
Public Assistance, Drug Testing	S	12/22/93
Incumbent Congress. Reelections	S	12/27/93
State Budget Enactment	C/A	1/19/94
Reasonable Atty.'s Fees	S	1/28/94
Univ. of CA, Governance	C/A	3/3/94
Sentence Enhancement	S	3/7/94
State Expenditures, Revenue	C/A	3/7/94
Init. Process. Reduce Signatures	C/A	3/7/94
Cmp. Contribution Limits	S	3/7/94
Legisl. Info. Computer Network	S	3/7/94

...FYI: Proponents for the \$2 billion initiative bond measure to buy, develop, rehabilitate and conserve park lands, historic sites, wildlife areas and forests throughout Calif. have submitted their signatures to the various county registrars for verification. Nov. 3rd was the due date for this measure. Stay tuned...

L.A. CO. SUP. BURKE AT CURRENT AFFAIRS FORUM.

L.A. Co. Sup. Yvonne Burke will be the guest speaker at the Dec. 9th luncheon meeting of L.A. Current Affairs Forum. Reception 11:30 a.m., lunch 12 noon, Hyatt Regency Hotel, downtown L.A. Burke's topic is, "The County of Los Angeles: How the Recession is Affecting County Services." For info, contact Emma Schafer (310)445-8862...

VICA SETS DEC. 9th FOR FORECAST CONFERENCE.

The Valley Industry & Commerce Assn. will hold its 5th annual Business Market & Forecast Conference, 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Dec. 9, Warner Center Marriott Hotel, Woodland Hills. The day-long event, which costs \$150, will include procurement booths and 1994-95 contract opportunities for local business. For info (818)888-2228. Co-sponsors are the L.A. Daily News and So. Calif. Gas Co...

NEW L.A. CO. CAO SALLY REED TO ADDRESS W.L.P.A.

New L.A. County CAO Sally Reed will address members of Women In Public Affairs, 11:30 a.m. reception, 12 noon lunch, Dec. 3, L.A. Hilton & Towers, downtown L.A. For info & RSVPs, contact Carole Westphal at Watson Land Co. (310)952-6418...

NEW JOBS, ADDRESSES AND PERSONNEL NOTICES.

Editor's note: Here are some items to mark down in your notebook...

- The L.A.-based polling firm of Fairbank, Maslin, Maullin & Associates has been hired by Demo State Treasurer candidate Phil Angelides...
- S.F.-based Kamer/Singer & Associates have hired James Caudill as exec. vp. Caudill was most recently a sr. vp with Ketchum PR. K/S&A also has opened an office in Las Vegas and has named Kurt D. Ouchida as the director of NV operations...
- Campaign consultant/fundraiser Jill Banks Barad has been hired by Chief Deputy SOS Tony Miller for his Demo campaign to succeed March Fong Eu...

- John Vernon, former state chair of the Libertarian Party, has died of AIDS at age 53. He ran against State Sen. David Roberti (D-Van Nuys) in last year's 20th S.D. special. R.I.P...

- Campaign/public affairs pro Clay Hage is once again working for the Western Mobilhome Assn. in the Inland Empire & Orange Co. areas of So. Calif. Hage can be reached at (909)684-1173...

- Melanie Wiegner has joined the Sacto office of Rose & Kindel as a legislative advocate. Before joining R&K, she was a lobbyist for the CA Chamber of Commerce...

CALPEEK'S MARKETPLACE NETWORK

- **LEGISLATIVE ADVOCATE** (salary dependent on qualifications). The Judicial Council of Calif. is currently recruiting to fill a legislative advocate position in its Sacramento office. The legislative advocate reports to the Director of Legislation and Budget and has various responsibilities, including the advocacy of legislation in furtherance of Judicial Council policies, preparing testimony, attending and testifying before legislative committee meetings, drafting legislation, analyzing legislation, and providing information on legislative matters which affect the courts. The position requires significant experience performing duties similar to those described above which has provided extensive knowledge of the rules, organizations, and operation of the Calif. State Legislature and the court system. Applicants also should have the ability to present statements of fact, law, and argument clearly and logically in written and oral form; analyze situations accurately and adopt effective courses of action; and effectively communicate with a variety of legislative, court, and state government personnel. **Please send resume to:** Judicial Council, Legislative Office, 801 "K" St., Ste. 1800, Sacramento, CA 95814. Telephone (916)445-7524. Filing deadline: Dec. 6, 1993. **An Equal Opportunity Employer...**

- **NATIONAL POLITICAL** pro-choice organization seeks a Western Regional Field Manager to work out of the national office in Washington D.C. Responsibilities include: organizational development, political organizing, campaign management, training and planning. Qualifications: 3 years grass-roots organizing, planning, training, good interpersonal skills. **Please send resumes to:** Susan Holmes, Attn: Field Manager Search, National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL), 1156 15th Street, NW, Washington D.C. 20005. Non-smoking. People of Color are strongly encouraged to apply...

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